

SUPPLEMENTARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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17. (New) A lock for a lid that opens and closes a box, wherein one of the box and the lid is a first part and the other is a second part, the lock comprising:

a latch provided on the first part, wherein the latch engages a catch, which is on the second part, to prevent the lid from opening when the lid is closed;

a holding member, which moves between a locking position and an unlocking position, wherein the holding member engages the latch at the locking position and is disengaged from the latch at the unlocking position;

a first manipulator for opening the lid from an outer side of the box when the lid is closed, wherein the first manipulator moves the holding member from the locking position to the unlocking position;

a key lock mechanism, which shifts the holding member, by an externally manipulated key, between an operational position, at which movement of the holding member by the first manipulator is enabled, and a non-operational position, at which movement of the holding member by the first manipulator is disabled;

a second manipulator for opening the lid from an inner side of the box when the lid is closed, wherein the second manipulator moves the holding member from the locking position to the unlocking position; and

said second manipulator having a fragile portion that is broken due to excessive force applied to the second manipulator.

18. (New) The lock according to claim 17, further comprising a member concentrating the force in the fragile portion.

19. (New) The lock according to claim 17, wherein said fragile portion includes a notch formed in the second manipulator.